

# A Photographic History of the Smith Family

Volume 3, Album 5

Dorothy Ruth Southard

&

Albert Joseph Matelena

This is the third volume of photograph “albums” tracing the Smith family of Trenton, New Jersey. The 11 albums of the first volume detailed the paternal side of the family focusing on the lives of Anna Maria Kutarnia and Joseph John Smith who settled in Trenton in 1928. The 7 albums of the second volume followed the family of Valentine “Billy” Smith from Trenton with his wife Alberta to Florida with wives Dale and Joan. The pictorial story of the family continues with the third volume which reveals the maternal side of the family of Alberta Matelena through photographs.

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### **Volume 3: Dorothy Ruth Southard & Albert Joseph Matelena**

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STATE OF NEW YORK  
**CERTIFICATE AND RECORD OF BIRTH**  
 No. of Certificate 7957  
 Name and address of person making this report: *Umberto Maddalena*  
 Residence: *362 East 116th Street, New York City*  
 Date of Birth: *Feb. 19, 1896*

**CERTIFICATE OF BAPTISM**  
 OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CHURCH  
 448 East 116 Street  
 New York, NY 10029

This is to Certify  
 That *Umberto Maddalena*  
 Child of *Giuseppe Maddalena*  
 and *Maria Sacco*  
 born in *New York*  
 on the *4* day of *Feb.* 1896  
 Was Baptized  
 on the *19* day of *April* 1896  
 According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church  
 by the Rev. *V. Masia*  
 the Sponsor's being *Antonio Caruso*  
 and *Lucia Caruso*  
 as appears from the Baptismal Register of this Church  
 Dated *May 10 - 2005*  
*Rev. Tony Kelly S.O.B.*

**BIRTH RETURN.**

[no name] on Dorothy's birth certificate

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS**  
**CERTIFICATE AND RECORD OF BIRTH** 344

Name of Child: *Frank* Color: *White* Date of Birth: *Jan. 17*  
 Sex: *Male* Place of Birth: *Consulate of Bordentown*  
 Name of Father: *John D. Southard* Father's Birthplace: *N.J.*  
 Maiden Name of Mother: *Agnes R. Parks* Mother's Birthplace: *N.J.*  
 Age of Father: *29* Occupation of Father: *Engineer*  
 Age of Mother: *24* Occupation of Mother: *Domestic*  
 Number of Children in all by this marriage: *Three* Number of Children now living: *Three*  
 Name and P. O. Address of Professional Attendant in case of birth: *Dr. Leonard D. Bordentown*  
 Date of this Report: *Jan. 21/07*

*Umberto Maddalena*  
 (Umberto translates as *Humbert*, not *Albert*!)

Form 1 1477 **REGISTRATION CARD** No. 146

1 Name in full: *Albert Joseph Matelena* Age in yrs. *21*  
 (Given name) (Family name)  
 2 Home address: *44 Princeton Avenue Trenton N.J.*  
 (No.) (Street) (City) (State)  
 3 Date of birth: *February 5 1896*  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)  
 4 Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? *Natural born*  
 5 Where were you born? *New York N.Y. USA*  
 (Town) (State) (Nation)  
 6 If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?  
 7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? *Railroad*  
 8 By whom employed? *Pennsylvania R.R. Freight Dept.*  
 9 Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? *Father & Mother*  
 10 Married or single (which)? *Single* Race (specify which)? *Caucasian*  
 11 What military service have you had? Rank *none*; branch  
 years; Nation or State  
 12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?  
 I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.  
*Albert J. Matelena*  
 (Signature or Mark)

29-3-33-A  
**REGISTRAR'S REPORT**

1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? *Medium* Slender, medium, or stout (which)? *Medium*  
 2 Color of eyes? *Brown* Color of hair? *Black* Bald? *no*  
 3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? *no*

I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

*C.H. Reed*  
 (Signature of registrar)  
 Precinct *1st*  
 City or County *Trenton*  
 State *New Jersey*  
*June 5*  
 (Date of registration)

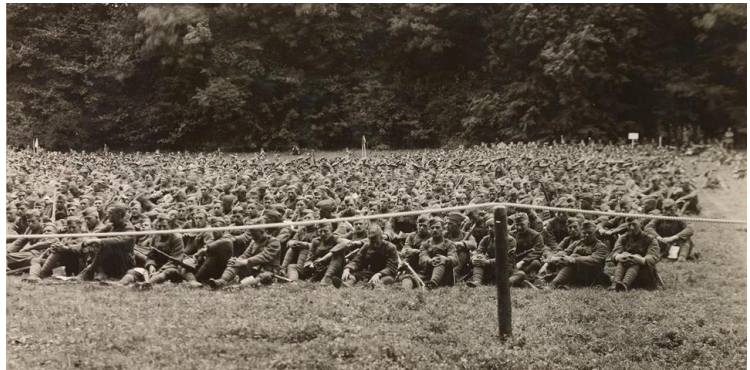
Albert's registration for the draft



Private Matelena  
Company E,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Battalion,  
311<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment,  
156<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade,  
78<sup>th</sup> Division



311<sup>th</sup> Albert is in there somewhere!



Victory Pin

Purple Heart  
Awarded 2005





1922: Albert & Dorothy lived above his cousins  
Little Gem Restaurant where Albert worked.

318 North Broad Street



July 4, 1925 Dorothy and Dottie



*Trenton Times* 31 August 1924

the attending physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matelena, of 218 North Broad Street, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, Dorothy Elizabeth, August 18. Dr. George Williams and Mrs. Charles Otis are in attendance. Mrs. Matelena was formerly Miss Dorothy Southard.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur C. Dragan, of

*Trenton Times* 15 May 1926

### **Birth Announcements**

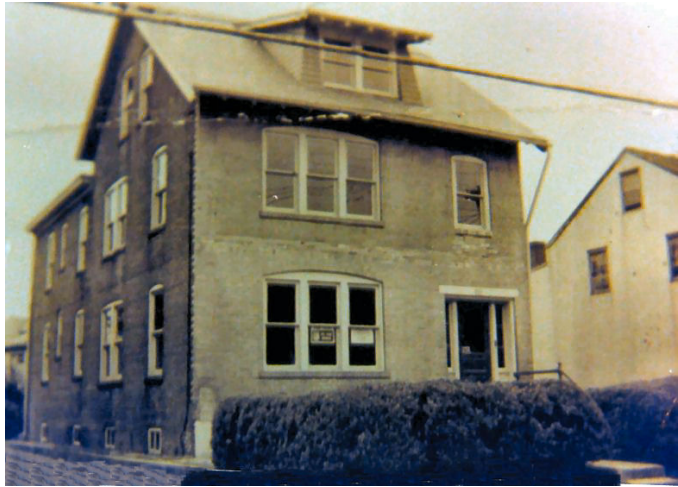
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Joseph Matelena, of 851 Spruce Street, announce the birth of a daughter, April 6. Mother and baby are doing nicely under the care of Dr. W. J. Harman and Mrs. Allen McBride.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Fortson, of

1925: Lived briefly at 749 Hamilton Avenue



Before moving to 851 Spruce Street in 1926



They liked being in water.

Marion (Southard) Naples and daughter Marion at left; 1928.

Dorothy & Albert taking their two girls Marie & Dottie, and mother Elizabeth VanKirk to the beach at Seaside (*right*) in 1928.



18 August 1930



Alberta Matelena & Dorothy Matelena  
All dressed up for  
Dottie's 6<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Alberta  
1930



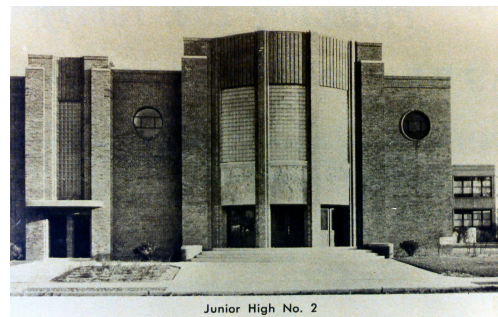
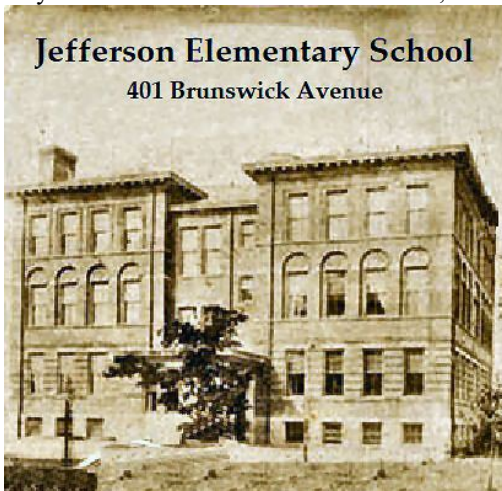


Dorothy ca 1931

Albert opened the Tyger Inn on 28 July 1933 at Cox's Corner.

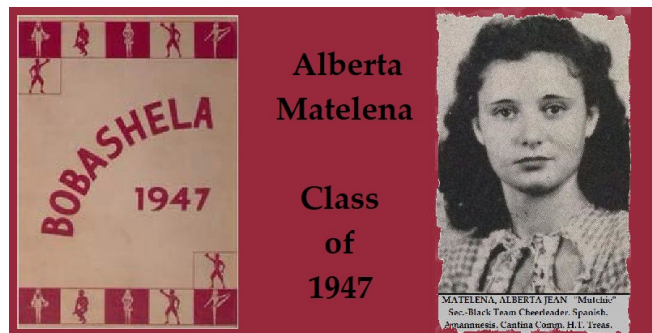


Their daughters attended Columbus Elementary when they lived on Spruce and Jefferson Elementary when they were closer to the Battle Monument, Junior 1, Junior 2, and Trenton Central High School

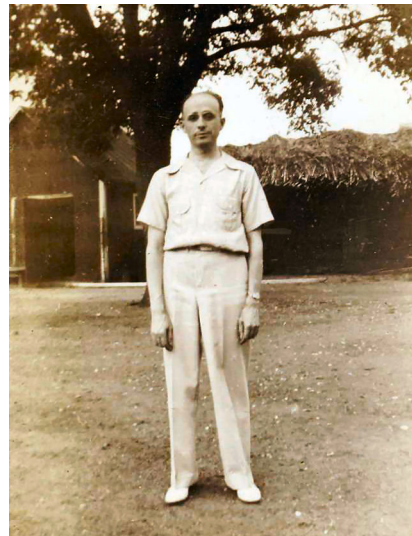


Trenton Central High School





Albert was in Miami at some point in the 1930s.



1934 was not the best year.



Trenton Police Department Arrest Card - 1934

NAME	Albert Matelena			NO.	3928
ALIAS	COUNT				
CRIME	Operating Race Track Pool			COLOR	W
AGE	38	HEIGHT	5'4"	WEIGHT	123
BUILD	81				
HAIR	Black	COMPLEXION	Med	EYES	Brown
BORN	N.Y.C.	READ	Y	WRITE	Y
OCCUPATION	Fruit Producer	MARRIED	Y	F.P.C.	
WHEN ARRESTED	5-1-34	RECEIVED FROM	First		
WHERE WANTED					
OFFICER	Meyers & O, Brain M.				
REMARKS	Address 851 Spruce St N.Y.C. 29.Y				
	24.Y				



1937: Moved to 22 Cavalle Street



1937: Opens the Gem Social Club upstairs at 17 East Front Street in downtown Trenton





June 1937 Dorothy



April 1939 Dorothy & Marion



ca1941: Marie & Alberta, Cavelle Street



August 1942: Dorothy & Alberta in Asbury Park

Albert & Dorothy Matelena, *Paul & Tess DeVito*, and Danny & Marion Naples



On the boardwalk in Atlantic City, 1942



They moved to 328 Euclid Avenue in 1942.

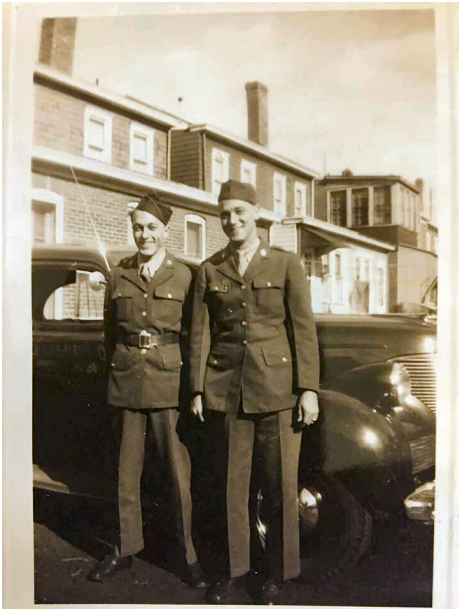




Alberta Matelena, dated 8 February 1944  
(maybe her birthday 4 February)



August 1945: Dorothy (l) & Alberta Matelena (r)



28 February 1945: Jack & Bill Nabinger

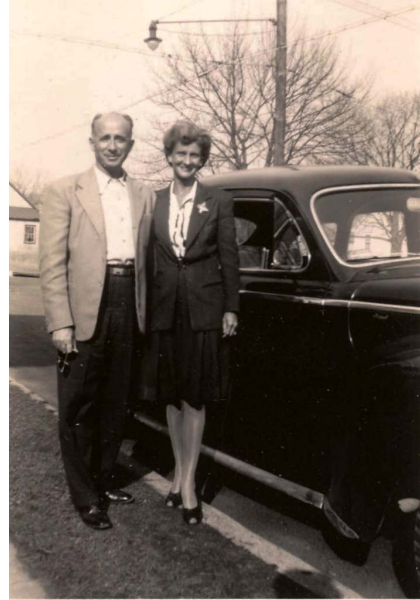


September 1945: Alberta & Dorothy Matelena



1945: Alberta

28 March 1946  
Albert & Dorothy



20 July 1946  
Alberta

Marie & Bill Nabinger



Alberta & Dolly DeFillips  
Jersey Shore, 1946



21 July  
1946  
Alberta





February 1947: Alberta Matelena engagement picture



June 1949: Dorothy Matelena & Marion Naples

Easter 1949 in Springfield, MA – Dorothy Matelena & Marion Naples





1950: Dorothy

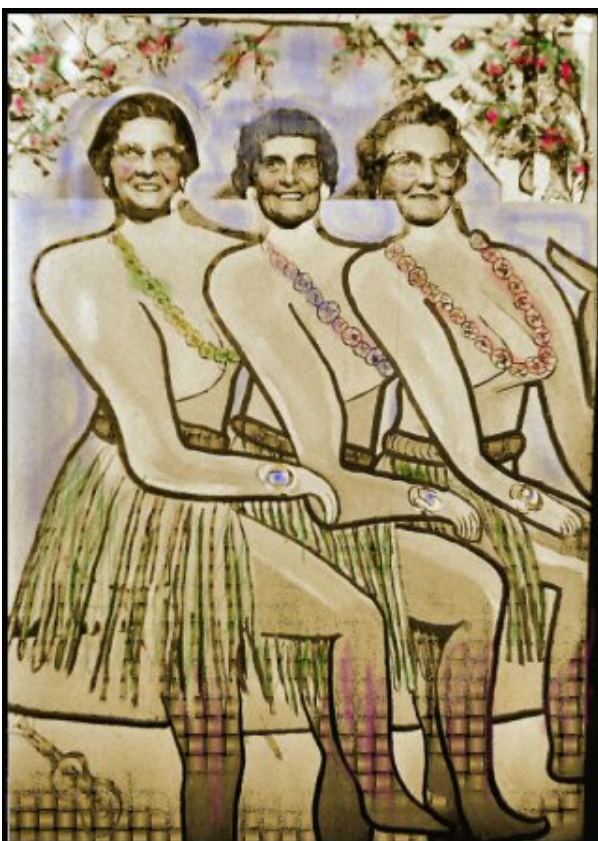


Albert Matelena & Billy, Patty & Linda Nabinger



1955  
*Caroline & Marion  
Dorothy & Moe*

Summer 1959: Dorothy Matelena, Marion Naples & Myrtle Parker (cousin)





1960 Albert Matelena





1968: Albert Matelena

30 December 1972: Marie & Bill Nabinger



21 August 1977: *Trentonian*, Alberta Matelena, 1946 (seated, center)





June 1980

Marie & Bill Nabinger  
Mercerville

Jack & Dot Nabinger  
Lawrenceville



Paintings by April Rimpo. Granddaughter of Marion Naples

Mary Murphy Southard



Albert & Dorothy Matelena



Marion Naples, Marion Major & Dorothy Matelena

